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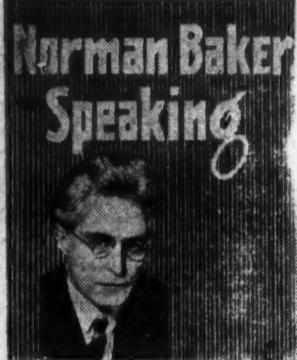
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Volstead Is Reported Dying'



INVITATION TO AREY RECALLS RECENT FIGHT

Muscatine Medic Is Asked to White House Session

THE 71ST CONGRESS PASSES OUT IN PEACE. They compromised on a Twenty-five dollar drought relief bill. It's easy to compromise but WHERE WILL THE FARMER GET THE RELIEF? About the same time the soldier boys get the service certificates paid in full. The time reminds me of RIP VAN WINKLE. Let's see, how long did he sleep?

THE CATHOLIC SISTERS in Chicago know how to do things. A fellow there has been curing people of cancer, but he is an outlaw in the eyes of the Medics—a QUACK. The Sisters, seeking a cure for their sisters, got hold of this QUACK, and now Catholic Sisters are being cured of cancer instead of being skinned off to the grave by the morphine route. They are proving cancer is curable at BAKER HOSPITAL, Muscatine, Iowa, but the religious folks haven't awakened to the fact as yet.

Another department in the government of Iowa will soon be made if the public safety bill passes. More blonde stenogs, good salaries; unless help, and a few executives to eat up several hundred thousand dollars yearly of the people's money. If I were in Governor Turner's place, I would scratch off ONE-HALF OF THE USELESS COMMISSIONS IN IOWA, and then I would be able to reduce taxes without having to add more on the incomes. If Turner has his way about income taxes, we will soon be on a par with Wisconsin where many corporations have moved to Illinois to escape the tax. FOOLISHNESS.

I like old Bishop James Cannon. He's a preacher, but one of those with "intestinal fortitude," a qualification rarely found in some people. Suppose he did buy stocks, that isn't half as bad as some others have done.

THEY TAKE THEM YOUNG IN GALESBURG. Poor little James McGee was taken to the doctors, tonsils and adenoids cut out, and now the little tot may suffer from other afflictions the balance of its life. The Creator DID NOT PUT ANY ORGAN IN US TO BE CUT OUT. They are necessary otherwise the busy Creator would not have had time to make them.

LEGGE IS GOING TO QUIT. How do you farmers like it? Well, don't worry; you may rest assured the next fellow appointed will have Wall Street's OK. Wish I were President for seven days only. I'm sure Wall Street would get a solar plexus punch!

An automobile, a train, a few moments of agony, and it was all over. Four killed. It happened in Detroit when the auto carrying the four people struck a fast train on the B. & O. R. R. Maybe they thought the train should have stopped and given them the right of way. IT'S FUNNY, BUT TRAINS DON'T STOP FOR AUTOS. Remember that when you cross the next railway crossing.

WHAT A JOKE, WHAT A FIND! Two boxes in Chicago were punished because they staged a fake boxing match. When you find a square prize fight or boxing match, please give me the names and addresses. The member, sport is like a roulette wheel. If you don't pull the right one, the game is one-sided.

SO YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GET OUT. Mountains of it are in Africa and large amounts in Maine. No one seems to smelt it. Tell me the poison of aluminum plants will then be used. Andy will devote his time to smelting beryllium, the metal for airplane frames.

Bubble Bursts



A. W. BENHAM

LOAN 'WIZARD' IS A BANKRUPT

Creditors Total 800 And His Liabilities \$400,000

BELVIDERE, Ill., Feb. 11.—(INS)—Albert W. Benham, who sought to prevent the business depression in Belvidere by paying high interest on money loaned to him, has "gone away for a rest," his friends announced this afternoon.

Investors with Benham, who regarded him as a financial wizard, have not lost faith, it is reported. No nominees have been selected since his disappearance.

Child Welfare in Balance

Until President Hoover has selected his committee it has been up to the committee on child welfare to maintain the balance. If the present administration, which is largely influenced by the medical trust, and for its Secretary of the Interior Dr. Ray L. Wilbur, former president of the medical trust, comes true to form, the organized doctors will win and the already powerful stranglehold of the medical trust over public health and American childhood will be vastly increased and virtually completed as a monopoly. The forces opposing the medical monopoly, mean, however, to go to congress with the fight should President Hoover appoint additional members to the committee and should this committee attempt to turn the national welfare of the children over to the United States Health Department.

Full Trust Control

"As has been pointed out in previous articles in this series in TNT, the medical trust after a generation of political work and cumbersome maneuvering has completely control over city, county, state and federal health departments. The foundation of this gigantic power is the various state medical boards of examiners. These state examining boards determine by their power to issue licenses who shall practice and who shall not practice in each state; what kind of medical or health activities shall be recognized; who shall serve on public health boards and who shall not; who shall practice in hospitals and who shall not. State examinations

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ILLINOIS—Fair with increasing cloudiness; warmer Wednesday; Thursdayunsetted, possibly local rain.

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GENERAL FORECAST—Considerable cloudiness will prevail in the north-central states tonight and Thursday, and there is some likelihood of a few inches of precipitation in northern and extreme eastern areas. Temperature changes will not be of much consequence. However, readings will be higher tonight in the extreme southeast, while cold weather may overspread northeastern Michigan tonight or Thursday.

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COMPROMISE ON PAYMENTS TO VETERANS

Raising Loan Value, Lower Interest Favored

By WM. S. NEAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—(INS)—After rejecting the proposal for cash payment of the \$3,500,000,000 soldiers compensation certificates the house ways and means committee today decided to consider two modified plans to aid needy veterans.

The plans are: (1) payment of 25 per cent of the face value of adjusted service certificates, or

(2) increase the loan value to fifty per cent.

Seek Information

The treasury and veterans bureau were requested to present a report on these two plans to the committee tomorrow.

"I think the committee will select one or the other," said Rep. Hawley (R) of Oregon, chairman.

More than fifty bills were considered by the committee in its closed session today. At the conclusion it was evident the Republicans had decided to report out a modified bill designed to aid needy veterans without forcing the treasury to make a bond issue.

The plans which will be adopted, it was indicated, is that of Rep. Bacharach (R) of New Jersey, to raise the loan value to fifty per cent and reduce the interest rate.

Brookhart Plan Defeated

The committee's action in its session today was announced chronologically by Chairman Hawley, as follows:

Full cash payment of \$3,400,000,000 worth of certificates due in 1945, the Brookhart-Patman plan, was voted down 17 to 5.

The plan of Rep. Garner (D) to give a cash surrender value to the certificates was voted down 13 to 10. General Frank Murphy (D) of Michigan, who had

proposed a bill to repeal all statutes regulating the sale and manufacture of intoxicants in Mass-

achusetts and 25 per cent per cent beer, it was indicated today.

A modification of the Garner plan not quite as liberal was voted down, 13 to 10.

The committee then took up the plan of Rep. Fish (R) of New York to pay the veterans 25 per cent of the face value of these certificates the amount to be subtracted on final payment," said Hawley.

Muscatine Court Decision Reversed

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 11.—(INS)—The opinion of the Muscatine district court, Judge D. V. Jackson, in an action to quiet the title involving the construction of a will in which Benjamin F. Nichols is the plaintiff and Benjamin F. Swickard, defendant, was reversed today by the supreme court of Iowa in a decision handed down here.

His creditors in Belvidere alone numbered 800 and his liabilities were estimated at \$400,000 by State's Attorney Strom.

In his statement "fifty per cent Al" as he is known by fellow townspeople attributed the crash of his financial venture to the plotings of "enemies who had conspired to ruin him."

Benham said he fears for his life and has employed bodyguards of late to safeguard himself.

A mass meeting of creditors was called for today when announcements were made of the investor's bankruptcy.

Complete mystery still cloaks the method Benham employed in his investment business. Investigation failed to disclose the details of the scheme which launched this section of the state into fancied affluence for more than a year.

When Belvidere bankers discovered that \$300,000 had been withdrawn from savings accounts in one week to be invested in Benham's scheme an investigation was begun which was participated by the internal revenue department.

The investigations brought a steady drain on his resources which was climaxed by the announcement of bankruptcy.

Held for Murder, Commits Suicide

WINTON, Ia., Feb. 11.—(INS)—Arrangements are being made here for the funeral of Lorraine Bland, 17, who was killed last night in an automobile accident eight miles west of Cedar Rapids on the Lincoln Highway.

Langdon had moved following the filing of eviction proceedings.

SAYS U. S. DEFICIT IS HALF BILLION

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(INS)—A deficit of not less than \$500,000,000 faces the government at the end of the present fiscal year June 30, under Secretary of the Treasury Ogden L. Mills declared today in a talk before the Bond club.

Mills advised against either cashing in or increasing the loan value on veterans' adjusted service certificates.

Pointing out that at the beginning of the new year there was some restoration of confidence and that the market for long-term funds was improving, Mills added: "Then the country suddenly realized that congress was seriously considering the borrowing and distribution of huge sums. The price of government bonds dropped sharply the bond market went flat."

LLOYD BABY HEAVIER

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 11.—(INS)—Harold Lloyd Jr., incubator baby of the film comedian and Mildred Davis Lloyd, today weighs three pounds and five and one-half ounces.

EDISON, On 84th Anniversary, Says Business Rise Has Begun

By JAMES L. KILGALLEN

PORT MYERS, Fla., Feb. 11.—(INS)—Thomas A. Edison, world famous inventor, declared in an interview today on the occasion of his eighty-fourth birthday that "the rise" in business has now started and that in three years the United States will gradually return to the level of prosperity it enjoyed prior to the setting in of the economic depression.

Mr. Edison pronounced the

Hoover administration a success.

He asserted that prohibition is

"succeeding."

Mr. Edison expressed himself as

opposed to the establishment of

a Dole system in this country.

Asked how the unemployment problem was to be solved, he shook his silver-gray head and scribbled the follow-

ing answer:

To Much For Him

"This question is several sizes too

large for me."

Edison replied in a question

that his health is "pretty good."

According to his close friends

he has not been feeling any too well

of late. For the last six years he

has been living exclusively on a diet of milk. He has abstained from solid food of any kind.

He was late in rising this morning.

His barber, "Mike" Payne, drove out to the estate from town and shaved him. Then Edison had his breakfast of milk. And then, ac-

hording to his wife, he had a

ribbit across the bridge, officially

opening it to the public.

Edison, accompanied by his

son, was to his office

on the estate for the interview. He

is deaf and questions had been pre-

pared for him. He wrote his an-

swers in large print.

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83 Michigan 'U' Students Held After Liquor Raids

RALLY PLANNED BY DEMOCRATS

National Meeting Is To Be Held on March 5.

Would Legalize Beer

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One resolution would have con-

ducted a national prohibi-

tion referendum.

A second asks modification of the

Volstead act to permit the

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It is considered that 2,000,000

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Another Murder

Mystery Confronts

Chicago Police

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Talks on safety and the prevention of accidents were given at a meeting of local employees and officials of the Milwaukee and Rock Island railroads Tuesday morning. The speakers were C. N. Harrison, of Rock Island, Ill., safety supervisor of the Rock Island lines and Dr. A. J. Weaver, local supervisor of the Milwaukee railroad.

Four classes in the high school banked 100 per cent in the thrift campaign this week. They are the job of Linda Hooper, Miss Dorothy Carleton, Miss Margaret Kemble and Lyman Green. The total amount banked was \$126.76 by 52 per cent of the students enrolled.

A chimney burning out at the residence of A. A. Howe, 668 West Second street, at 12:57 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, resulted in an addition to the county trunk system of lettering by placing of signs three miles south from Atalissa to the school where road "W" turns west to West Liberty.

The following new automobiles were registered at the county automobile bureau Tuesday: Ben Wilson, Fruitland, Plymouth sedan; Theodor Mundt, Durand, Chevrolet coupe.

Two conveyance deeds by which Amanda Elizabeth and Nelson Graham have transferred part of lot 1, block 103, Muscatine, and lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 25, 26, 27, 28 to Atalissa. This will include an addition to the county trunk system of lettering by placing of signs three miles south from Atalissa to the school where road "W" turns west to West Liberty.

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COUNTY ROAD SIGNS SUFFER FROM HUNTERS

Many Found Riddled By Shot As New Work Starts

With the discovery that carelessness of hunters have damaged many of the letter road signs along the roads in the county trunk system, the work of overhauling and extending the lettering system, being started by the office of County Engineer F. P. G. Halbfass, will be more extensive than anticipated.

Many of the signs were found to have been punctured by shotgun shells, some with rifle bullets and others damaged by rocks. A result of the carelessness is that the enamel surface cracked and the signs rusted. Some of the signs that were merely scratched can be repainted, but a large number which have been shot at and punctured must be replaced by new signs.

The damage to these signs is not so much the original cost of having them manufactured, but in the cost of the labor and overhauling work. Some of the larger "S" curve signs were also damaged to a considerable extent. The signs were put up in 1929, when the road lettering system was adopted.

Plan New Markings

Markings along the roads extending into the county will be made more complete with the placing of letters designating the roads at the junction of primary roads leading into Muscatine, and arrow signs indicating the name and direction of the town being approached and the number of miles, will be placed.

One of the principal changes will be the placing of letters on road "W" from the foot of Mulberry avenue in Muscatine, all of the way to Atalissa. This will include an addition to the county trunk system three miles south from Atalissa to the school where road "W" turns west to West Liberty.

Visitors at FREE PRESS

William H. McCrokey, Wilton Junction, Ia. Mrs. Ed Haschemeyer, Clayton, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krebs, Sunbury, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew F. Wendel, Bettendorf, Ia.

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Merchants of Muscatine Have \$30,000,000 Market

"Buying by Muscatine families is done in a steady flow. It doesn't mass into one season of the year or one day of the week."

These statements were made by C. W. Carpenter, advertising manager of the Midwest Free Press, in an address before the Muscatine Advertising club at the weekly luncheon meeting today. Mr. Carpenter gave an in-depth study and survey of the marketing habits of Muscatine and surrounding trade areas, a \$30,000,000 market.

Decisions Daily

"Every day decisions are being made, stores selected and sales consummated. Mr. Carpenter said: 'There is no time when a retailer can relax his vigilance and his energy. He must everlastingly be on the alert. Soapsuds effort is wasteful. Strict adherence to a system of balanced appeal is proper.'

Mr. Carpenter quoted Arthur Price in an address before the National dry goods convention: 'A buyer may be unalterably prejudiced against a certain newspaper; a merchandise manager may be poisoned by a newspaper's choice of news; a store manager may be offended by its editorial policy, even an advertising manager may be annoyed by the newspaper's advertising manager and what we do hear. This newspaper cannot sell out merchandise. Has it been tested fairly, accurately, year."

PIPE ARRIVES AT CONESVILLE FOR BIG LINE

Construction Work to Start at Once Say Foremen

Pipe and equipment for the construction of gas pipe line which is to pass through here from Texas to Chicago was being unloaded today at Conesville.

Work will start at once on laying the pipe for the new line which is to be placed at the junction of primary roads leading into Muscatine, and arrow signs indicating the name and direction of the town being approached and the number of miles, will be placed.

Many men have been attracted here by the report that the work is pending.

Trucks loaded with equipment arrived here several days ago. Interest in the project here centers in the fact that the line will cross the Mississippi river at this point.

Elk Sibley, arrested with Harold Fitzsimmons of Knoxville and Everett Overton, in Davenport, recently, on charges in connection with the theft of two automobiles, were released on bail in a district court this morning and was sentenced to serve a term not to exceed ten years at hard labor in the state prison at Ft. Madison. Sibley pleaded guilty to stealing a truck belonging to the McKee Feed and Grain company of this city.

Overton, who pleaded guilty to taking part in the theft of a LaSalle automobile belonging to Madeline McKee, was ordered sent to the state prison at Aransas, from where he was released prior to his arrest. He will complete his unexpired term there.

Fitzsimmons is still being held by the local authorities.

Amendment Filed By Peggy Bunn in Her Divorce Suit

First amendment to the petition of Peggy Bunn, whose divorce suit against Albert Bunn will be heard Monday, was filed today together with motions for attorney fees and \$75 asked for suit money. Mrs. Bunn is asking that half interest in property jointly owned by the couple at 1161 New Hampshire street be established.

The case had been scheduled for sometime ago but was postponed because of the absence of one of the attorneys. The plaintiff asks that the court give a decree of divorce on grounds of cruelty and false accusations. Bunn has filed a counter suit.

John Cannon of Avon, Ill., and Frank Cannon of Prairie City, Ill., represented Mrs. John Cannon, a plaintiff in the case.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Crown of Waterloo, Ia., were visitors Monday at the Baker hospital, calling on Mrs. A. Ahrens, a patient.

Mrs. William Challens, a patient at the Baker hospital, was visited Monday by the following: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hunter, Marshalltown; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hiller and Samuel Ziegernhorn, upon his surrender of a note for \$5,335 given by Jayne to Henry C. Meyer, was authorized in an order signed by Judge D. V. Jackson.

Stafford, as administrator of the Jayne estate, was also authorized to surrender to G. A. Albee, attorney for the defendant, a note for \$5,000 given by Jayne to Henry C. Meyer, and Samuel Ziegernhorn for \$4,000, and a note for \$3,000 in his possession held by the same parties, which was received by Jayne as part payment of the note for \$3,000.

New patients admitted to the Baker hospital Monday are Mrs. Mary Steffens of Farley, Ia., Fred Witz, Moline, Ill., Mrs. D. J. Vaske, New Vienna, Ia., Alex George, Duane, Minn., Clara Lehneber, San Jose, Ill., and N. G. Johnson, Clark, Neb.

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J. E. Cunningham, yard office clerk at the Milwaukee and Rock Island freight house has returned from Davenport, La., where he attended the funeral of his brother.

Talks on safety and the prevention of accidents were given at a meeting of local employees and officials of the Milwaukee and Rock Island railroads Tuesday morning. The speakers were C. N. Harrison, of Rock Island, Ill., safety superintendent of the Rock Island lines and Dr. A. J. Weaver, local surgeon of the Milwaukee railroad.

Four classes in the high school banked 100 per cent in the third campaign this week. They are the classes of Lindley Hoopes, Miss Henry Carleton, Miss Margaret Kentle and Lyman Green. The total amount banked was \$126.76 by 52 per cent of the students enrolled.

A chimney burning out at the residence of A. E. Howe, 608 West Second street, at 12:57 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, resulted in a run for firemen of the 2nd station. There was no damage.

The following new automobiles were registered at the county automobile bureau Tuesday: Ben Wilson, Fruitland, Plymouth sedan; Theodor Munday, Durand, Chevrolet coupe.

Two conveyance deeds by which

Amanda Elizabeth and Nelson Graham have transferred part of lot 1, block 103, Muscatine, and lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 25, 26, 27, 28 to Grant Graham, were filed at the office of County Recorder, Clyde Parks today.

Because of pressing duties in his office, County Engineer F. P. G. Halbfass, abandoned plans to attend the meeting of the Iowa State Engineering society which opened today at Des Moines. Sessions will be continued throughout Thursday. Special problems and plans of the county engineers under the secondary road law, were set for discussion at the meetings.

M. Thomas has been granted a permit by the city engineer's office to build a garage on Cannon avenue.

Muscataine high school's debating team lost to Washington high last night in a debate held at the P. M. Musser public library. This was the negative team composed of Paul Yarck and Harold Kautz.

Harold Lee and Margaret Englund, on the affirmative team, won the debate Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Durkee, formerly of Muscatine, now residing at 2830 Fifth and a Half avenue, Rock Island, are the parents of twin daughters born yesterday.

Mrs. Viola Snyder of Cleveland, Ohio, arrived this morning to visit her mother, Mrs. Harry Reynolds, 707 West Fifth street.

The Cedar Street Methodist Aid will hold an all-day button sewing meeting Thursday at the church. At noon a chicken dinner will be served to the public.

A. B. division of the United Brethren Sewing society will meet Thursday for an all-day work meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles Hawkins, 509 East Ninth street.

Miss Gertrude Carroll, 803 Whicker street, has left for Chicago where she will visit friends for several days.

Dr. R. R. Goad, 411 West Third street, left yesterday for Hillsdale, Va., called there by the illness of his father.

The United Brethren Kensington society will meet all day Friday at the church. A potluck dinner will be served at noon and each member is requested to bring one covered dish.

Hos receipts in Muscatine today totalled 448 head. Four carloads were received from the following shippers: John Soukup, River-side; Wesley Wall, River Junction; Frank Scherburne, River Junction, and Frank Grimm, Wapello.

Mayor H. G. Thompson is in Des Moines today.

Dismissal of the suit of C. R. Stafford, administrator with the will of W. R. Jayne, against Henry C. Meyer, R. R. Reed, Henry Hulser and Samuel Ziegelmorn, upon his surrender of a note for \$3,335 given by Jayne to Henry C. Meyer, was authorized in an order signed by Judge D. V. Jackson.

Stafford, as administrator of the Jayne estate, was also authorized to surrender to G. A. Albee, attorney for the defendants, a note executed by Meyer.

Lawrence and E. B. Hunter, Fred Grider, Arlene and Thelma Grider, all of Cambridge, Ill.

New patients admitted to the Baker hospital Monday are Mrs. Anton Peterson, Cedar Rapids, Ia., Mrs. T. B. Buzby, San Jacinta, Calif., George M. Grimes, Boulder, Colo., and Charles Reed, Galena, Ill.

Don't forget to mention the MID-WEST FREE PRESS, when buying from the merchants who advertise in this paper.

COUNTY ROAD SIGNS SUFFER FROM HUNTERS

Many Found Riddled By Shot As New Work Starts

With the discovery that careless hunters have damaged many of the letter road signs along the roads in the county trunk system, the work of overhauling and extending the lettering system, being started by the office of County Engineer F. P. G. Halbfass, will be more extensive than anticipated.

Many of the signs were found to have been punctured by shotgun shells, some with rifle bullets and others damaged by rocks. A result of the carelessness is that the enamel became cracked and the signs rusted. Some of the signs that were merely scratched can be repainted, but a large number which have been shot at and punctured must be replaced by new signs.

The damage to these signs is not

so much the original cost of having them manufactured, but in the cost of the labor and overhauling work. Some of the larger "S" curve signs were also damaged to a considerable extent. The signs were put up in 1929, when the road lettering system was adopted.

Mr. Carpenter quoted Arthur Price in an address before the national dry goods convention.

"A buyer may be unalterably disgusted against a certain newspaper; a merchant manager may be poisoned by a newspaper's choice of news; a store manager may be offended by its editorial policy, even an advertising man may be annoyed by the newspaper's advertising manager and what we hear." This newspaper cannot sell out merchandise. Has it been tested fairly, accurately?"

In closing Mr. Carpenter said:

"Something seems to tell me that firms might profit more if they plan their advertising and sales efforts according to the amount of business they want to do this year rather than by what they did last year."

Merchants of Muscatine Have \$30,000,000 Market

"Buying by Muscatine families is in a steady flow. It doesn't mass into one season of the year or one day of the week."

These statements were made by C. W. Carpenter, advertising manager of the Midwest Free Press, in an address before the Muscatine Advertising club at the weekly luncheon meeting today. Mr. Carpenter gave an unbiased study and survey of the market habits of Muscatine and surrounding trade area, a \$30,000,000 market.

Consistently over a sufficient period of time? Are these results recorded, accurate?"

Cites Lincoln

"Lincoln would never have been discouraged with a depression" Mr. Carpenter said. "An outstanding example of a man who would not yield to discouragement is when a young man Lincoln ran for the legislature in Illinois, and was badly swamped. He next entered business, failed, and spent 17 years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner. He was in love with a beautiful young woman to whom he became engaged—then she died. Later he married a woman who was a constant burden to him. Entering politics he ran for congress and was defeated. He tried to get an appointment to the United States land office and failed. Lincoln became a candidate for the United States senate but was defeated by Douglas. One failure after another, great setbacks. In the face of all this he became the greatest."

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HARVEY BACKED BY BRITISH LORD

Lonsdale Sends Cablegram to Dundee's Opponent

BY HYDE IGLOE

INS Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(INS)—Lean Len Harvey, John Bull's boy, is determined that he shall not fall his countrymen this time. When he meets Vince Dundee in Madison Square Garden Friday night he will go into the ring with the cabled words of Lord Lonsdale ringing in his ears.

His lordship sent a message to him the other day. Lonsdale spends a small fortune each year producing belts which are emblematic of ring championships in England, one belt for every class. They are valued at \$3,500 each, so it can be seen that his royal ribs is no poker.

Harvey holds one of those belts for his own. He won the belt in the middleweight class and then defended it successfully twice, the three victories bringing the 10 Harvey for permanent possession.

Harvey is an engineer, not a belt and given it to his young son, Ted. Ted is only two years old but he has had the belt wrapped around his fat little tummy many times.

The other day, Lonsdale sat himself down in London and penned this message to Harvey:

"I am glad the championship belt you hold has been admired in America. I am quite sure nobody will consider British interests in boxing more than yourself and know all your fights will be clean. Wish you the best of luck and all success possible. Lonsdale."

Illinois Obtains Revenge for First Defeat by Purdue

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Feb. 11.—(INS)—Illinois surveyed its chances in the Western conference basketball race today with new hope after tripping up the championship Purdue five last night by a 26 to 22 score.

Resorting to long shots which scored with relentless regularity, Illinois upset its opponent with the result that the half ended with the Illini holding a 21 to 6 edge.

At no time during the game was Purdue in the lead, but the Boilermakers five threatened to take the lead in the last two minutes of play.

Boyd Owen, a guard, scored four times in the first five minutes of the game.

Purdue bested Illinois earlier in the season, 30 to 15.

Cherishes Picture Showing Lincoln On His Death Bed

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo.—(INS)—An actual photograph of Abraham Lincoln on his death bed surrounded by a dozen or more close friends is one of the prized possessions of Charles A. Baker, a passenger conductor on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad.

The picture was given to Baker's grandmother by Mrs. Lincoln within a month of the president's death.

"My grandmother and her family," Baker said, "were friends of the Lincolns in Kentucky, long before Abe Lincoln was on the road to fame."

"Lincoln died April 15, 1865, and my grandmother received the photo from Mrs. Lincoln the following May 10. My grandmother in 1868 gave the picture to my mother, Fanny Baker, and she in turn gave it to me before her death in 1917, in Omaha."

The picture, which Baker says was taken a few moments after Lincoln died shows a group of friends, including Gideon Welles, secretary of the navy; Edwin M. Stanton, secretary of war, and several prominent military leaders of the Civil War grouped about the bed on which the body is lying.

The plate from which the picture was made was destroyed, it is believed, on orders from Mrs. Lincoln. Baker has refused \$500 for the picture. He intends to will the picture to his son John Mercer Baker.

Oldest Cowboy in World Dies at 100

CHILDRESS, Tex.—(INS)—Hardened range riders of a half century ago gathered around the hero of Jesse Barton, who claims to be the world's oldest cowboy, when he died at the age of 100 years.

Barton, a native South Carolinian, came to Texas 92 years ago. He grew up in the saddle on some of the biggest ranches in West Texas, and in his spare time between punching and herding cattle killed buffalo and fought Indians.

Barton worked for 40 years on one ranch, that of the Smith brothers in the Panhandle.

A NERVOUS WRECK CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—(INS)—mer W. Bauer was a nervous wreck today. Within an hour his wife bore him a son and a robber held him up in the lobby of the hospital.

Let the merchants, who advertise in the MID-WEST FREE PRESS, know that you saw their ad in this paper.

HENRY E. WAGNER CALLED BY DEATH

Henry E. Wagner, a resident of Muscatine for the past 10 years, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cynthia Lee, 208 East Fifth street, at 7 p.m., Tuesday. Death followed a lingering illness.

Mr. Wagner was born near Letts, Dec. 26, 1874, and lived in the vicinity until coming to Muscatine. He was married on Nov. 23, 1892 to Miss Maude Pence of Columbus.

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As We See It

Dr. Fishbein's "Ethics"

A new slant on so called "medical ethics" is furnished by The Argonaut of San Francisco in commenting on the discoveries of Dr. Coffey and Dr. Humber in their researches for a cure for cancer. It appears that Dr. Fishbein, who is editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, has taken exception to the Pacific Coast announcements because the folks out there failed to consult him first. The Argonaut says:

"It is probable that if America had some guide and mentor other than the self-appointed Dr. Fishbein as its Petronius Arbiter in the matter of etiquette in his honored profession, more people would be alive today than now are alive therein because Dr. Fishbein's ethics do not give chief consideration to the weaknesses and sufferings of humanity. They rather embody certain hard and fast rules instituted by the medical profession for the protection of its accredited members from outside competition."

"Cancer is a disease of increasing incidence and causes frightful mortality. Non-ethical cures" (from the Fishbein standpoint) "have been known, but owing to the activities of Dr. Fishbein and his associates" they must not be recognized.

The researches of the two California physicians are being given strong support in the Golden State, both within and without the medical profession, the views of Dr. Fishbein to the contrary notwithstanding.



"NERVES AND RELAXATION"

Of late years, people have become greatly interested in physical culture, exercise at home, at the club, at the gym. People have of late, more fully realized the great amount of inactivity which city life has forced upon us all. The number of non-athletic exercises has, besides, limited exercise also taken away, or prevented us, from getting as much fresh air as we should. Every condition brings a reaction, either good or bad.

Following in the wake of the above mentioned conditions we find a condition of nerve tension, mostly unrealized by the majority of people. The handle and rudder on the ship, although not so prominent, etc., in fact the whole routine of modern life, keeps us all in a more or less high-strung tense condition.

How many times have you hustled downtown, or hurried home for lunch, making use of every minute, to find that you are only half breathing, your shoulders all tensed up, etc. If you have ever been conscious of this condition, you know what a relief it is to straighten up, let your shoulders drop "way down, and take a good, deep breath.

This idea of relaxation should be practiced at every opportunity by everyone.

In the rush of modern life, people do not realize the inestimable value of complete periodic relaxation. Just flopping down into a big chair, or upon a couch for a certain length of time. While this may take the body weight off of the legs, and give the overstrained body a temporary measure of relief, it is a method which far from provides the whole body with real relaxation.

True relaxation seems to be forgotten art which must be learned. It is "nature's way" of rebuilding and conserving vital energy.

Complete relaxation, for even five minutes, is worth more than eight hours of troubled sleep. This should be an harmonious release from all physical tension and mental strain, or effort. The ideal time for full relaxation is at bedtime, but there are periods during the day when some people can find time to relax in a short period of relaxation. Once you have acquired this valuable habit you can completely shut out everything the moment you place your body in the proper position.

To relax fully, one should lie flat upon the back, sometimes with a small pillow under the head. Let the spine and legs be perfectly straight along the sides of the body or slightly spread out from the sides. Personally, I find a flat surface the best, as it does not allow the spine to sag. As soon as

Just Kiddies

By T. W. Burgess

PETER TELLS ABOUT MRS. QUACK

You are in position make a mental note of how many minutes you have to spare, then feeling sure that you will awaken at just the right time, let go of everything, with the eyes easily closed.

Starting with the feet, let the muscles go limp, ankles, calves, thighs, hands, wrists, arms, etc. Take a deep, easy breath, letting the spine and the torso sink and flatten out. Let the limp neck continue up into the neck muscles until the head just rolls without any effort to hold it in position. Now then, with the eyes easily closed, smile just a little and breath slow and gentle.

While all of this seems a lot to go through, it should only take minute or so.

Remember that every taut muscle, no matter how small, or slight, means using a certain amount of energy. That is why complete relaxation is nature's greatest recuperative agent.

Now that the body is quite relaxed and in repose, think of some pleasant scene, picture or pleasure that you may be counting on, and which will give you a great deal of pleasure. Do not bother about details, and so stimulate the mind into activity, but rather maintain a dreamy, hazy condition, or state of mind, trailing off into nothingness.

"What can't be done?" repeated Sammy. "There isn't anything that can't be done. There are plenty of things that you can't do, but what you can't do someone else can. Just tuck that fact away in that empty head of yours and never say can't!"

Yes, Sammy dearly loves to be Peter.

Peter made a good-natured face at Sammy. "Which means, I suppose that what I can't do you can do that the body will store up a reserve of vital forces, and you will feel refreshed and clear-headed as soon as you start using your feet again."

"What can't be done?" repeated Sammy. "I simply mean that nobody can do everything and that very often two heads are better than one. It struck me that you sometimes seem to be confused. I thought I might be able to help you get rid of it. But, of course if you don't want my help, supposing I could and would give it to you, that is an end of the matter, and I guess I'll be on my way. The Old Brier Patch is rather a dull place anyway."

Peter started to make a sharp retort, but though better of it. Instead he replied mildly: "I was just trying to think of some way to help poor Mrs. Quack."

"Help Mrs. Quack!" exclaimed Sammy in surprise. "Where under the sun did you get acquainted with Mrs. Quack? What's the matter with her? She always has looked to me quite able to help herself."

"Well she isn't. That is, she needs others to help her just now," replied Peter, "and I've been most thinking my head off trying to find a way to help her." Then he told Sammy how he had met Mrs. Quack at the Smiths' home and how he had long journeyed up from the sunless Southland had been, and how Mr. Quack had been shot by a hunter with a terrier's gun, and how poor Mrs. Quack was quite heart-broken, and how she had gone over to the Big River to look for him but didn't dare go near the places where he might be hiding if he were still alive and hurt so that he couldn't fly and how cruel and terribly unfair were the men with terrible guns, and all the other things he had learned from Mrs. Quack.

Sammy listened with his head cocked on one side, and for once he didn't interrupt Peter or try to tease him or make fun of him. In fact, as Peter looked up at him he could see that Sammy was very serious and thoughtful and that the more he heard of Mrs. Quack's story the more thoughtful he looked. When Peter finished Sammy flew down a little nearer to Peter.

Why does a small boy always take special delight in seeing how near he can skate to the danger sign?

Don't worry about what others think of you: it's what they say that counts.

White flowers worn by a girl remind one of purity; when worn by a man of simplicity.

If a girl kills a boy she can never forgive him for marrying a handsome girl than she is.

The graveyard population would be vastly increased if it wasn't against the law to kill people.

It makes quite a difference to the actor whether his name appears on a billboard or a board bill. (Copyright, 1931)

The Coast Guard fired 40 shots at a yacht the other day and got five pints of liquor. If there are 40 shots in five pints of liquor botched in accordance with present standards it will be chalked up as a fair exchange.

Situation Wanted—Girl, German, speaks English, experienced house-worker, cook, plays piano, likes children. Hellis, 222 East 87th—New York Times. How about yodeling and tap dancing?

The Pope is to talk over the radio and it is understood Tom Heflin has offered his services as a radio critic to nine newspaper syndicates.

Lincoln's Anniversary

Tomorrow is the one hundred and twenty-second anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, who shares with Washington the honor of being first in the heart of the nation. No man in the history of the country for which he died in his prime more nearly exemplified the true spirit of democracy than did the Great Emancipator.

But if Lincoln were living today he would be lucky to be elected dog catcher. Uncouth in appearance even in his day, ungainly in stature, truly a man of the people if there ever was one, not subject to flattery nor the influence of wealth,

MIDWEST FREE PRESS

The situation is analogous to the Middle West and the Baker hospital in Muscatine with one big exception. In California the medical profession itself is lending its support to the research work whereas a similar institution here is being shunned by the organized physicians.

Another case was that of the closing of the hospital and radio station of Dr. J. R. Brinkley, at Milford, Kan. Dr. Brinkley, as announced in an exclusive dispatch to the Midwest Free Press, is planning to open a 50,000-watt station on the Mexican side of the border so that the people of the United States will continue to hear his messages.

Brinkley was the victim of both persecution and prosecution by the Kansas medics. Jealousy of his work caused the trouble as it is also doing for the Baker hospital. Brinkley took dozens of patients to Washington to testify in his behalf but with no effect because the organized interests proved too powerful.

Here in Muscatine no investigation has resulted in spite of repeated challenges by Mr. Baker. No effort has been made to prove the charges. And it is possible that another radio station may be erected on the Mexican border in the event the license of Mr. Baker's station is not renewed.

Display Your 1931 Plates

a puppet of no man or organization, he rose through sheer genius to the highest position within the gift of the nation after being repeatedly defeated for minor offices.

While it comes somewhat as a shock to thoughtful people, the characterizations of Edgar Less Masters in his recent book on Lincoln, whom he derides, shows the trend of the times in that a generation ago no one would have dared to have called Lincoln, in effect, a lazy, superstitious, scheming, dishonest lout.

Times are changing. We had better watch our step. What this nation needs today is more of the homely virtues as expressed by Lincoln. A modern counterpart of a national leader who believes in the golden rule, as did Lincoln, would crush at least some of the materialism which knows no master except that dictated by the almighty dollar.

Display Your 1931 Plates

State inspectors are going the rounds of Iowa cities to check up on the display of 1931 auto license plates. One of the inspectors, who is making a check at Waterloo, declared many persons have the idea that if they pay the additional dollar month penalty when they purchase the new license they have the right to use the old plate as long as they care to do so. This idea also prevails in Muscatine. But the inspector says:

"This is not correct. As soon as the car is on the highway with the old plate the driver is violating a state law. If he should be in an accident he would have no chance of protecting himself from suit or collecting damages."

The law provides that after January 1 autoists must display the new plates. Enforcement has been lenient, forty days of grace already having been allowed, and now the state department believes it is time for enforcement. Twelve

Cedar Rapids motorists were haled into justice courts there last week and each fined \$10 and costs.

This is just a hint to Muscatine motorists who may still be using last year's plates on their cars. If the inspectors should happen to come this way—watch out.

Wall Street On Another Rampage

After a lull of over a year Wall Street is going on another rampage. Tuesday's advices declare that some stocks went up on an average of from two to fifteen points in a single day's trading and nearly five million shares changed hands.

So far as actual business conditions justify a rise in securities, well and good, but business is far from being responsible for the big increase. It is evident that speculators are getting busy and that all classes of stocks will again soar above their real value if the speculation continues. The marginal operators stand to make some more paper profits but the real investor had better watch out.

We had one experience of Wall Street being taken as a true reflection of business conditions about a year and a half ago. Everybody was whooping it up then with no thought of the consequences, and we have not yet recovered from the results. To have another financial debacle follow so closely upon the last one will make the present depression seem like child's play.

No doubt, Columbus imagined the world was round because it failed to treat him altogether square.

Our Platform for the People Is:

1. Less taxation.
2. Fewer state Commissions.
3. Universal school books.
4. Lower freight rates.
5. Return of river transportation.
6. A cleanup of some state institutions.
7. More efficiency in public offices.

Learn to Know the Right Word

By W. C. Nicholson

THE ADJECTIVE "RIGHT"

The following comments have been received from Mrs. M. J. Remell of Port Kent, N. Y.:

"The word 'right' is often misused for 'correct,' viz:

"A boy stole some apples and he was asked the following question:

"I understand that you stole some apples?"

"To which he replied:

"That is right."

"This might imply that it is right to steal apples."

"I should like to see this discussed."

Answer: "Right" does mean conformable to the moral law, or to the principles of right and justice, but it means also "Being in accordance with the truth or facts; especially correct; true." In this latter sense, it was used by the boy who stole the apples. When this boy replied, "That is right," his "right" referred to the fact that he had stolen apple, not to the general idea of stealing apples. Do you see the distinction? He used the word "right" in the sense of correct. The accuser was right (correct) as to the facts in the case.

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Mayor Walker of New York urges the use of night sticks in disorderly night clubs after 1 a.m. But how would a night club patron after 1 a.m. know when he had been hit by a night stick?

Daily Puzzle

WHAT GROUP IN SOCIETY IS THIS?



And so with the "speakers"; though ladies may try

More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague

IT

When Barbara Brown, who is painfully plain, grows a little bit flighty and wild.

The neighbors declare she is light in the brain—

Such a silly and frivolous child.

They say she is lacking in midday poise—

Always running out somewhere or other.

And a girl so devoted to parties

Will never become a good mother.

For around this wide world it is well understood

That an ill favored girl is supposed to be good.

Men do not ask charity; they ask only for justice. Give them that and there will be no need of welfare societies. Look at them—five millions of them—and try to see the situation from their standpoint:

E. H.
New London, Iowa.

People's Pulpit

The Mid-West Free Press wishes again to impress upon its readers that the People's Pulpit column is open to them. Write upon any subject you desire, local or national. Your letters will be published regardless of the editor's opinion on the subject. All communications to be printed promptly should be on one side only. Those longer than the writer's time before publication. All communications must be signed and contain the address of the author.

People's Pulpit: The Mid-West Free Press which you learn if we will preserve respect for the nation we must enforce the Eighteenth amendment; where we read a long list of other evils that should be destroyed. And how our heart warms to the paper that gives a boost to the man who is 50, that recognizes the value of experience which comes only with years.

M. E. W.
Cleves, Ohio.

People's Pulpit: In The Free Press of the 7th Lois

What is the cause of capitalism? A lot of us think it is caused by the monopolization of natural resources. If these were free of access workers could choose between laboring for employers and working the natural resources themselves. They could then tell the 2 per cent of the population that controls the wealth of the nation that they are not to be controlled by the COM-MON good instead of themselves.

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SOCIETY CHATTER, FEATURES and HELPFUL HINTS for the WOMEN

Baptist Society Will Present Play in March

A three act play, "The Greater Commandment," will be presented by members of the First Baptist church's young people's society sometime in March. The exact date will be announced later. Characters of the play were chosen at a recent meeting of the committee in charge of the entertainment.

They are as follows: Kitty Galaher, a demonstrator of beans; Miss Ruthdale La Tourrette; Dave Forrester, a tramp; Leland Horst; Mathew Higgins, a clerk in the deacon's store; Herbert Schreurs; Fred Burk, the banker; Burton Mark; Mary White, a small town girl; Miss Charlotte Wyman; Deacon Whiffleby, a country store-keeper; Kenneth Schreurs; Mrs. John White; Miss Florence Nyenhuus; John White; Gill Miller.

The play is being coached by Mrs. Vernon Shontz. No admission will be charged but a silver offering will be taken.

Bridge-Auction and Contract

By the Authority
MILTON C. WORK

AN AUCTION BRIDGE HAND

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2-1	3-0	4-1	5-2
1-0	2-1	3-0	4-1

Daughter of Michigan Senator Weds



The above photo shows John Knight of Kalamazoo, Mich., and his wife, Barbara, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg, of Michigan, after their marriage in Washington.

Long Skirts Ended 1910 Flight of First United States Aviatrix

By JAMES E. HILEMAN

SANTA ANA, Calif.—To Dr. Bessie Raiche of Santa Ana goes the honor of being the first woman to fly an airplane in the United States. She piloted her clumsy craft when some of the noted aviatrixes of today were bearing wob ribbons in their hair.

Doctor Raiche became famous after flying a most unsteady and odd-looking airship less than a mile and a half from her home. Her first flight had ended in a crash when her long skirts became entangled in the controls and set her ship down abruptly in 1910 at Mineola Field, Long Island.

After that Dr. Raiche was convinced that long skirts and an airplane did not work well together. She and her husband rebuilt their queer broken ship. At the trial flight in the repaired ship she appeared in knickers and caused such a stir that she was immediately the "center of a terrible scandal." Women "dared not" wear knickers in public in 1910.

Reminded by the many endurance and speed record flights being attempted by women of today Dr. Raiche recalled the early day perils and pioneer strides toward the development of aviation in 1910.

"Flying in those days was a different story from flying today, and there aren't many of us old-timers left," Dr. Raiche said.

"You couldn't buy a plane then. Everybody built his own. My husband and I built the one I flew, which took four months. Some photographs and general ideas of what a Curtiss plane looked like. I worked in the machine shop on the plane, and I think I could still run a lathe."

"There wasn't any dual control teaching then. Most of the planes could carry only one person. Elimination of weight was

the main thought in flying the first crude airplanes," she said.

Dr. Raiche was active in early flying circles for several months. She gave up flying and returned to her medical studies after a few serious crashes interfered with her medical work. She is still an ardent follower of aviation and is often a passenger at a local airport.

The doctor revealed she intended to return to flying when her medical duties will allow, and when her daughter finishes school.

A gold medal was presented to Dr. Raiche in recognition of her first flight, by the New York Aero-nautical society, of which she is a life member. She is also a life member of the Chicago Aeronautical society. This body honored her with a beautifully engraved in-

scription.

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FABRIZIUS AND HYINK LEAD IN LOCATING HOOP

Home Team Tries Hard to Hold Down Score

(Special to Press)

TIPTON, Ia., Feb. 11.—Showing a fine reversal of form, the Muscatine Junior College basketball quintet downed the Tipton Junior college five here last night, 57 to 17. The visitors took the lead at the start and were never headed. Fine passing and uncanny accuracy from the field enabled the Muscatine team to run up their high total.

The visiting five presented a much different style of basketball than was their usual custom. Breaking fast down the floor on quick short passes and on fine weaving dribbles, the Muscatine boys were never in danger, having complete control over the local offense.

Fabrizius Scores 15

George Fabrizius and Dan Hyink led the attack for the winners. Fabrizius scored a total of 15 points on six field goals and three free throws. Swisher counted for 11 points on five field goals and a free throw. Dan also played a "wow" of a floor game, breaking up plays and shooting accurate passes to other team-mates.

Huber and Thayer, who teamed at the guard positions the greater share of the game, both played flashy basketball, they too breaking up plays with ease and then starting the ball down the floor with long passes or short dribbles. Curly Swisher, before leaving the game via too many personal fouls, scored 10 points on five field goals. Farrell, Griffin and Jones, who alternated at the forwards and center posts, respectively, also played fine floor games. Jones counted for six points on two field goals and two free throws. Smith, who went in at guard, played a fighting game while he was in but failed to break into the scoring column.

Moeller and Hetsler Star

For the legal five, Moeller and Hetsler, forwards, led the attack by looping in two field goals and three free throws each. Moeller played a fine floor game as did Werling, a substitute. Tipton, although never in the running, tried desperately to check the visiting offense and at times it seemed as if they might stop the onrush of some of their plays.

The victory was the second of the season for the Tipton boys, the first one coming at Muscatine, earlier in the season. Both games were walkaways for the Muscatine collegians as far as the score was concerned but not as far as the fighting spirit of the two teams was concerned. The win also brought the visiting college eagles within one game of 500 points, thus having lost seven games and won six. The scores:

Muscatine (57)		PG	FT	PP	TP
Swisher, f	4	2	10		
Griffin, f	1	0	1	2	
Hyink, f	5	1	11		
Fairall, f	0	1	1		
Fabrizius, c	6	3	1	18	
Jones, c	2	1	6		
Huber, g	2	3	1	6	
Thayer, g	2	1	0	5	
Smith, g	0	0	0	0	
Totals	29	13	10	57	
Tipton (16)		PG	FT	PP	TP
Moeller, f	2	3	4	7	
Hetsler, f	2	3	3	7	
Furnish, c	0	0	0	0	
Patterson, c	0	0	3	0	
Banks, g	0	0	4	0	
Werling, g	1	0	0	2	
Totals	5	6	14	16	

STATE DEFEATS DRAKE, 23-20

Ames Outfit Is Too Speedy for the Bulldogs

DES MOINES, Feb. 11.—(INS)—After a fast game with plenty of thrills here Iowa State Cyclones today are in possession of the Drake Bulldog's scalp for the second time this season. The score when the final gun sounded last night was Iowa State, 23; Drake, 20.

The Cyclones opened the game with a brilliant offensive that netted them two baskets early in the game. The Bulldogs dropped one through from charity lane, and after another goal had been made by the visitors, started into a determined offensive and pulled up within one point of the Cyclones. After a Cyclone fumble had precipitated a wild melee of fumbling and "roughing", the invaders systematically piled up the lead, the half ending 13 to 7 in favor of the Ames team.

The Drake defense had tightened when they came from the rest period, and they were able to score in the period. Their tally came when Werling, far back on the floor, dropped a beautiful shot.

Five members of the Westminster college basketball team averaged six feet five inches.

Louis M. Nahin, president of the Milwaukee Brewers, has for many years been with that organization as secretary and business manager.

Canadian Skating Champion Lowers American Record

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Feb. 11.—(INS)—A new American record for the one-mile race was held today by Ross Robinson, veteran Canadian speedster, in the annual North America outdoor speed skating championship meet.

The Toronto entrant annexed first place in the senior one-mile race with less than two yards separating three contestants at the finish.

He was clocked 2:37. The former mark was 2:38 8-5 set by Claus Thunberg of Finland in 1926 at Lake Placid.

Murray captured the only other senior men's event on the program, when he won the 220-yard race in 10.1, three fifties a second slower than the world's record.

Murray is leader with 40 points. Robinson has 30 and Farrell 29. The meet will continue today.

NEW BALL TO AID PITCHERS

Lefty Grove Expects Another Strike-out Record

By LES CONKLIN

INS Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(INS)—As the various big league squads prepare to invade the grapefruit belt to inaugurate the training season, the chief topic of conversation among baseball men is the effect that the new "small" model ball will have on pitching and batting during the coming campaign.

This intriguing subject has more appeal than any that just came along in a 15-day Brooklyn diet. Much has been written about the probability of last year's record major league home run crop of 1,155 being cut down to something like 1,250. An equally interesting feature is that many old-timers hurled who seemed doomed to pass out of the picture now have an excellent chance to make a comeback.

Old Timers Get Chance

Any day now you may expect to read that such aperents as Jack Quinn and Bill Doak have been signed by a big league club. How Ahmke, hero of the 1929 world series, already has decided to take another fling with the Athletics. Bill Williams, who is traded to Brooklyn, the Boston Braves will get more in return for him than they would have gotten before the new ball was adopted by the National League last week.

The heavier cover and raised stitches of the new ball will infuse new life into the pitching arms of other veterans such as Clarence Mitchell, Jess Hearn, Tom Zachary, Ep Riddle and Joe Gennrich.

The cover on the American League ball is the same weight as the cover of the Jackrabbit variety. Neither will there be any change in the amount or quality of rubber, cork and wool comprising the ball, so that if such slingers as Babe Ruth and Al St. John are to be effective, they will travel as far as ever. But the raised stitches, similar to those on the National League ball, will enable the pitchers to grip the horsehide more firmly and put more spin on the ball.

Grove "Delighted"

Lefty Grove believes he will be able to set a new strike-out record after his thirty games this year. He thinks the raised seams will make his knuckle ball much more effective and enable him to get into the box score more often. Other American League pitchers veterans who expect to take a new lease on life will be delighted to find that old man psychology will be out there giving the hurlers moral support.

Many a discouraged boxer who has been handicapped by the knowledge that a couple of long wallop might break up the game at any moment, now will work with more confidence and consequently will fight harder.

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Carnera's appetite was affected by the change in climate. He wasn't himself at dinner. He was able to consume only four orders of water, six orders of spaghetti, three full sized steaks, four orders of spinach and three pitchers of water.

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The consensus of sports writers in Miami is that Carnera is a cinch to win, even though Maloney holds a decision over the astutely manipulated Italian.

In ten of his twelve years in New York, Frankie Frisch has participated in ten world's series contests, being in six series himself. This amounts to the tidy sum of \$28,000.

Stanley Sokolik, giant tackle of the Penn football team, is one of the most promising wrestlers in the school.

Amateur boxers of Ireland, Norway and Belgium are competing in this country.

Red Dutton, star defense man of the New York Americans' hockey team, spent five years in the World War, fighting for Canada.

Herb Drury, star of the Philadelphia Quakers, learned hockey as an amateur at the St. Nicholas School, New York.

Penn State, Colgate and Syracuse are competing for a triangular championship in basketball.

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CAGE RESULTS

State

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Luther 22, St. Olaf 15.

Oscoda junior college 29, Central

Webster City junior college 23.

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Mason City junior college 27.

Albia junior college 26, Chariton

Junior college 22.

Muscatine junior college 57, Tipton

Junior college 17.

Clarinda junior college 29, Conception

Academy (Conception, Mo.) 19.

Graceland 23, Creston junior

college 21.

Fort Dodge junior college 35, Boone

Junior college 14.

Boone 26, Pocatello 22.

Oklahoma Aggies 38, St. Louis

University 30.

Michigan State 34, U. of Detroit

16.

Webb 26, Princeton 24.

Missouri 25, Creighton 19.

Illinois Wesleyan 39, Millikin 18.

Western Teachers 49, Knox 35.

Washington State college 35.

Carroll college 49, Lake Forest

16.

Albia 13, Oscoda 12.

Centerville 17, Batavia 9 (girls).

Marshall 33, Carroll 9.

St. Ansley 28, Osage 28.

Spirit Lake 28, Spencer 24.

Murray 20, Clinton 14.

Denton 15, Glidden 5 (reserves).

Chariton 25, Valley Junction 21.

Central 26, Drake 23 (freshmen).

House 32, Fond du Lac

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Professional

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In Relief Role

Vance, Luque, Phelps, Thurston, Clark and MacLachlan accounted for 53 of Brooklyn's 86 victories last year. Quinn should equal the ten triumphs turned in by Jumbo Jim Elliott, subsequently traded to the Phillies. But his real worth should be in saving games as a relief pitcher, although Driscoll said to day that the elder will be used as a starting regular if he demonstrates his ability to go the route.

The Robins had to uncover another relief pitcher finding such as Phelps was last season. They have given up hope of obtaining either Willie Sherdell or Ed Brandt, the Boston southpaws.

Only Two Southpaws

One weak feature of the Brooklyn hurling corps is that there are only two left-handers, Clark and Helmach. Another is that most of the pitchers are well along in years and may be unable to withstand the rigors of another campaign. Quinn is between 45 and 50, while Phelps, who is 27, is the youngest of the others.

All the club needs to do now is to make the pitching staff and old men's home is to sign Grover Cleveland Alexander and Ole man River.

Uncle Wilbert Robinson, however, always has qualified as a miracle man in infusing new life veterans obtained from the American League. Jimmie Foxx, Eddie Cicotte, Sherry Smith and Duster Maltz, after leaving the junior organization, took a new lease on life under Bobby's guidance. Quinn may do the same.

Ballyhoo Begins

Up to the moment of Carnera's arrival, the ballyhoo of the Carnera-Malone "Battle of Who's Who" had fallen flat. Malone has been in town, dipping his pudgy torso in the Atlantic daily, but one, not even the avuncular sports scribe—gave him a tumble. The natives have shown no interest whatever in the Bostonian.

But when Carnera ambled in, towering over his fellowmen, everything changed. Not since the circus left town was there such excitement. Natives and tourists alike crowded around the station and gazed at the Italian mountain. They swarmed all over the premises and followed the big fellow through the streets all the way to his hotel. City officials, American Legion men and national guardsmen were in the welcoming committee.

The acting mayor dug up another one of those keys to the city and laid it into the biggest right hand in America today

NEW MARK FOR HEALTH IS SET DURING 1930

Many Natural Causes
Of Death Drop, Suicides Increase

NEW YORK.—(INS)—A new health record for the populations of the United States and Canada was set in 1930.

Dr. Louis I. Dublin, statistician of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, said final figures for the year 1930 show that the many millions of policyholders of the insurance company registered a death rate of 8.3 per 1,000, which was 6.6 per cent less than the death-rate which prevailed in 1929 and 1.1 per cent lower than that for 1927, when the previous minimum death-rate was established among this large cross-section of the populations of the two countries.

Some of the high spots in the year's record, according to Dr. Dublin, were the reduction of tuberculosis to a new minimum; new low death-rates for the communicable diseases of childhood; the practical elimination of typhoid fever from causes of death; the further reduction of diphtheria deaths; a reduction of 65.3 per cent for influenza from the previous year; and a new low for the combined number of deaths for influenza and pneumonia, with the latest figures setting a new minimum rate; a drop in the mortality from heart disease and Bright's disease; new minimum rates for diseases of childbirth; lower death-rates for infantile diarrhoea and enteritis; a drop in deaths from accidents, including automobile fatalities among the insured industrial populations.

Suicides Increase

Contrasted with this was a marked increase of suicides, a slight increase in the rate of deaths from cancer, and a very small rise in the cancer mortality. The suicide death-rate increased from 8.7 per 100,000 in 1929 to 9.8 in 1930, or 12.6 per cent.

"The year 1930 was an exceptional one from a health standpoint," said Dr. Dublin. "With only a few minor exceptions, every disease showed a sizeable decline during the year and a considerable number of diseases disappeared for all time. Every month but two showed a lower death-rate than in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and six, namely, January, March, May, June, November and December, each recorded a new minimum. This favorable condition prevailed in all sections of the United States and Canada."

The reduction of the tuberculosis death-rate in 1930 to a new minimum was again the outstanding public health fact of the year. Only twice since 1911—in 1918 and 1926—has the tuberculosis mortality rate for any year failed to decrease from that for the year immediately preceding. The rate in 1930 was 80.9 per 100,000. This rate, 7.3 per cent below the previous rate established in 1929, it marks a re-

Event Enjoyed by World Wide Guild Of Baptist Church

The Ella chapter of the World Wide Guild, of the First Baptist church met last evening at the home of Miss Ruthdale LaTourrette, 1162 Lucas street. There were 18 members present and following the business meeting a social time was enjoyed. The hostess served refreshments.

Miss Florence Edna Fuller was elected to serve as press reporter to succeed Miss Laura Young.

The participants enjoyed a Negro spiritual by Mrs. Dorothy Schumacher and Mrs. Margaret Reed; a reading by Miss Florence Fuller; an interesting talk on a missionary book by Miss Avis Coggeshall.

Miss Jeanette Lindsee will be hostess to the Guild March 9 at her home, 110 Union street.

The Princess and The Plumber Film Scores at A-Muse-U

In "The Princess and the Plumber" now playing at the A-Muse-U theater, local theatergoers have a genuinely delightful screen offering. The story is laid in Darietta, difficult to find on the map, but the sort of country where almost anything may happen, and before the picture reaches its ending, almost anything does happen.

Charles Farrell and Maureen O'Sullivan appear for the first time together, and both do splendidly in their title roles. H. B. Warner is in his usual suave and convincing self and Joseph Cawthorn, Bert Roach, Lucien Prival, Louise Chesser Hale and Murray Kinnell all do excellent work in this entertaining comedy romance. Alexander Korda's direction is notable.

duction of 41.3 per cent as compared with 1929.

"The communicable disease of childhood, measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough and diphtheria declined markedly in 1930. Not only did the combined mortality from these four disease drop 26 per cent in a single year, but each of the four registered a new low death-rate.

Comparison with 1929 shows a decline of 13.1 per 100,000, was lower than for any year, with a single exception, since the great pandemic of 1918-1919.

"Despite the decline in 1930, heart disease still is the leading cause of death in the industrial population, particularly during the year for more than one-sixth of the mortality from all causes. With the single exception of that for 1929, the 1930 death-rate of 44.5 per 100,000 was the highest we have ever recorded for this disease. A favorable development of this situation is the decline in cardiac diseases for those under 45 years, but a very unfavorable feature is the increase for those above 45. And this increase has been persistent, especially among men.

"Fatal accidents showed a decrease in 1930, when compared with 1929, with the single exception of deaths from falls. For some unknown reason, the mortality from falls has increased for two successive years and the 1930 death-rate of 9.5 per 100,000 is the highest since 1918.

"The low death-rate for the year 1930 was remarkable in the face of the unfavorable business conditions which prevailed. Unemployment, with its heavy incidence among the industrial classes, is not conducive to low mortality rates.

That the country's health was not immediately affected may be due to the fact that the depression follows closely upon a long period of employment at high wages, which made it possible for many families to avoid distress by falling back upon their savings.

WEST LIBERTY MEN ARE HELD TO GRAND JURY

Men Arrested During Saturday Raids Give Bond

WEST LIBERTY, Ia.—(Special) —Merle Heath, Dewey Patterson and Clarence Smith, arrested following liquor raids upon their homes here last Saturday afternoon by state and county officers, waived preliminary hearing before Justice W. L. Mackay Monday afternoon and were held to the county grand jury. After a ride home upon furnishing bonds of \$500 each.

The Illinois City house has been invited to attend the next session. Refreshments will be served at the coming meeting by the Rebekah degree staff.

A quantity of alcohol was alleged to have been found in Heath's home, wine at Smith's home and home and home brew at Patterson's home. County Attorney H. E. Wilson prosecuted for the state.

OLD RESIDENT OF LONE TREE DIES

LONE TREE, Ia.—(Special) —Funeral services for William Eden, pioneer resident of this community, who died Sunday, will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the Eden home. County Attorney H. E. Wilson prosecuted for the state.

Residents of the Muscatine trade territory outside the city are generally accepting the plan which gives them a dollar trade certificate with each paid up subscription to the Free Press.

The plan has been made known through the columns of the Free Press and by means of the calligraphic mounted on a bus which is touring the entire trade area.

Those who have received the certificates have been spending them just like dollar bills the returns to the office of the Free Press where they are redeemed in trade.

Merchants accept them the same as money.

Here are the firms that will receive the certificates in exchange for merchandise or services:

A-Muse-U theater.

Batterson Store.

Barry-Althaus Hardware Co.

Bill and Dell Service Station.

Bostons Cab Co.

Brownbilt Shoe Shop.

Buts Fair.

Crystal Theater.

Dankers Market, C. O. Rudeen, prop.

De Luxe Cleaners and Hatters.

Dillon's Grocery.

Edward-Sissel Grocery, Mulberry avenue.

Ewing Jewelry Store.

E. and E. Garage, Mulberry ave.

Figg's Tire Shop.

F. E. Garage, Mulberry avenue.

Finkle, Ben, General Store.

Fisher Grocery, Mulberry avenue.

Freyeruth Shoe Store, Walnut street.

Fulham Grocery, Walnut street.

Gehalt Fruits and Vegetables.

Gleistein Stores.

Glick Smart Shop.

Hahn Paint and Varnish Co.

Hoglin Dept. Store.

Hartman, C. L., Optom., 122 E. 2nd street.

Iowa Dept. Store.

IKNT Oil Station.

IKNT Store.

Iowa Electric Co.

Leysen Shoe Store.

Mark, Dave, new and second-hand furniture.

Melton Grocery.

Montgomery-Clovers, 4th street.

Montgomery-Ward and Co.

Muscatine Radio Store.

Muscatine Shoe Shop.

Nicholson Battery Co.

National Bellas-Hess Dept. store.

Ogilvie's I. & I. Grocery.

Palace Theater.

Pound's Men's Wear.

Pilgrim Grocery.

Pitforth Grocery, Mulberry avenue.

Puritan Ice Co.

Roth Shell Oil Stations.

Royal Specialty Shop.

Smith Dentists.

Spurgeon Mercantile Co.

Stafel's Cafe.

Stolting, P. A., recaing of fur-niture, 817 Full street.

S. G. and Stein Furniture Co.

Schultz Grocery—501 E. 2nd St.

Thiessen's Ladies' Ready-to-Wear.

Thomson Installment Co.

U. S. Bakery.

Waltman and West Meat and Groceries Market.

Walt's Sandwich Shop.

Wilson's Shop Shop.

Wyninger Tire Shop—Mulberry Ave.

Zollers Meat Market.

ODD FELLOWS OF COUNTY TO MEET

An interesting program is promised when the Muscatine county Odd Fellows association holds its monthly meeting here Feb. 19, it was announced today by H. F. Larson, secretary.

Four lodges make up the association. They are the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of Muscatine, Weston, West Liberty and Nichols. Each lodge will contribute num-

bers for the program.

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LAWMAKERS TO HEAR TALK BY I. B. RICHMAN

Association to Meet in Des Moines on February 18

"Pioneer lawmakers who were

Democrats" will be the subject of a talk to be given by Irving B.

Richman of Muscatine before the Pioneer Lawmakers association of Des Moines at its annual meeting in Des Moines, Feb. 18. Mr. Richman was

democratic caucus chairman in the Iowa Legislature in 1929 when there was a deadlock for several weeks. He will be the main speaker.

G. M. Titus of this city is president of the group, and he will call the meeting to order when it convenes in the portrait gallery of the Memorial and Art building. The address of welcome will be given by Governor Dan Turner.

The association was formed in 1928. Its membership consists of those who served in the general assembly or other state offices 20 years or more ago. Meetings are always held while the General Assembly is in session.

The following from this area are listed as being eligible for membership: J. L. Giesler, Muscatine; J. Nichols, West Liberty; R. W. Kinkhabow, Weston; R. J. Reaney, Columbus Junction; Paul E. Stilman, Keota; William N. Friedman, Tipton; G. M. Titus, Elbert; W. Weeks and D. V. Jackson, all of Muscatine.

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NEW BRAND OF ORATORY GIVEN BY 'YELLOW KID'

Surprises Cell Mates With Extent of Vocabulary

By BILL CARTAN

CITY—(INS)—Joseph "Yellow Kid" Weil, the bon bon confidence man, became so indignant on his arrest here for vagrancy that he gave vent to a burst of oratory, the like of which has not echoed through jail cells here for many years.

He dwelt specifically on the status of a vagrant, but during his flamboyant expounding, touched on the mind of man, the functioning of the constitution and the nature of referees.

Defining vagrancy, the "Yellow Kid" said in part:

"Under antedating charters and constitutions, man has an inalienable right to go whithersoever circumstances and his individual preferences dictate, and to return thence at his pleasure. So long as he remains within the demarcations of a reasonable property, no person nor any body or persons has the right to designate the manner in which he shall conduct himself or the place or places whither he may or may not convey him."

Quotes Constitution

"The constitution of the United States," the urbane "Yellow Kid" continued, "expressly stipulates that no man shall impede the progress of his fellow or intervene in his pursuit of happiness."

"Nevertheless, we have in our midst persons of scrambled wits known as reformers. Briefly and essentially, these exorcisms upon society point out the strength in the nourishment of tolerance. Observed with a sense of mission and decreasing themselves God-born as the prophets of old, they hearken to the voice in the burning bush, scale the heights of bigotry and inscribe their laws, decreeing that gentlemen shall not walk in the pursuit of —er—happiness."

As police gathered about the "Yellow Kid" cell, the countenance of the expressiveness similar to that of a listener of Einstein, he spoke of the mind of man.

"The mind of man is a fearful thing," he asserted. "At its best and kindest, it is gruesome. When it becomes the prey of fanatics, it is appalling. Hence it is that, owing to the activities of the persons I have just described, we have with us a condition of hysteria resulting in regrettable extensions of the term vagrancy to apply to honest men engaged in the pursuit of er— their vocations or their avocations, as the case may be."

Where Man Perishes

"Meanwhile, however, man is the center of a circle whose fatal circumference he cannot transcend. Within the narrow con-



Programs for Thursday

KTNT

233.4 M—MUSCATINE—117. Ke.
6:00—Phonograph Records.
6:30—Farm Flashes.
6:40—Chevrolet Records.
7:15—Correct Time.
7:30—Orchestra Program Conducted by Rev. Mitchell.

8:00—Harmonica Music by Joe.
8:15—Vocal Selections by Bob.
8:30—Baldwin Selections by Stella.
8:45—Vocal Selections by Jack.
9:00—Violin Selections by Carl.
9:05—Weather Report.
9:06—Violin Selection by Carl.
9:15—Vocal Selection by Mary.
9:20—Calliphone Music by C. N. Nicholson.
9:30—Violin Selection by Walter.
9:35—News Review (Courtesy of the Midwest Free Press).

9:40—Violin Selection by Caarl.
9:45—News Review.
9:50—Weather Report.
10:00—Housekeepers Chat.
10:10—Radio Program by Bob.
11:00—Correct Time.
12:00—"Chick Chats" by Earl Dunn.

12:30—Talk by Norman Baker.
9:40—Violin Selection by Carl.
11:15—Vocal Selections by Mary.
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Complete Market Reports

GRAINS CLOSE LOWER, WHEAT OFF 2 CENTS

Corn Drops, Oats and Rye Trading Is Sluggish

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—(INS)—Grains closed generally lower today. Wheat was unchanged to 2 1/4¢ down, corn off 1 1/4 to 3 1/4¢ and oats to 1 1/4¢ lower. Rye was 1/2¢ off.

A small amount of short covering was noted in some of the pits later in the day of evening up over the holiday tomorrow.

New crop wheat futures showed a reactionary tendency during the forenoon following the brisk and excited upturn yesterday.

Corn opened 1 1/4¢ lower and closed down fairly steadily on the bonding and lack of aggressive support. The weather over the belt was mostly fair.

Oats and rye acted sluggish following the lead of other cereals.

Estimated carlot receipts were: Wheat 84, corn 133 and oats 13.

CASE GRAIN

WHEAT—red 79¢; 2 red 79¢; 1 hard 80¢; 2 hard 79 1/4¢; North 79 1/2¢; 2 mixed 78¢; 1 yellow hard 79 1/2¢; 2 yellow hard 79 1/4¢.

CORN—3 mixed 63¢; 4 mixed 62¢ to 62 1/2¢; 4 mixed 60¢; 2 yellow 67¢ to 68¢; 3 white 66¢ to 67¢; 4 white 63 1/2¢ to 65 1/2¢; 5 white 61 1/2¢ to 63¢.

OATS—2 white 33¢ to 33 1/2¢; 3 white 33¢ to 33 1/2¢; 4 white 31¢.

RYE—None. Barley 58¢.

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—(INS)—Closing stock prices:

Adv. Rumley 4

Allegh Corp 11

Allied Chem. and Dye 168

Am. Can. 117 1/2

Am. Car and Fdy 33

Am. Ind. and L. 37 1/2

Am. Loco 26 1/2

Am. Smelt 48 1/2

Am. Steel Ref. 19 1/2

T and T 11 1/2

Am. Tob. B 68 1/2

Am. Wtr. Wks 63 1/2

Anaconda Co. 37 1/2

Anaconda W and C 23 1/2

Am. Ref. Sp. 21 1/2

Bald Loco 24 1/2

Bald. Steel 82 1/2

Bendix Avia. 22

Brockway Mfrs. 45 1/2

Can. Gas. 45 1/2

Can. Thresh. Mach. 11 1/2

C and O 45 1/2

Chaco G. West 45 1/2

Ch. F. W. 45 1/2

Co. M. and Sp. 14

Co. Pfd. 14

Co. Ref. and I. 19 1/2

Chris. Mfrs. 165

Coors Cola 165

Co. Gas. and E. 165

Co. G. 165

Co. G. and E. 165

Co. G. and M. 165

Ample Credit for Marketing of Farm Products Predicted

U. S. SEED LOAN FUND WILL BE A GREAT HELP

Agriculture Department Says Interest At Low Level

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 11.—The department of agriculture in its annual outlook report just made public predicts a substantial decrease in credit for production of crops in 1931. (A summary of the report was published in the issue of Feb. 2.) The section of the report dealing with the credit outlook follows in full text:

The supply of production credit available during the crop season of 1931 will be considerably less, in most sections, than in 1930, other recent years. Despite probable efforts to produce crops with a minimum cash outlay in 1931, the need for credit in many sections will be materially increased. A portion of this increased need will be met through emergency advances from the seed loan fund which congress has made available, and through further expansion in the activities of agricultural credit corporations. The volume of farm mortgage credit is also likely to be restricted because of conservative policies of lending agencies. The supply of marketing credit is likely to be ample.

Several Factors

Several factors will operate to curtail the ability of country banks to make advances during the 1931 crop production season. Most country banks entered 1931 with a smaller volume of deposits than they had a year earlier, and also with less adequate secondary reserves consisting of commercial paper, bankers' balances, and investments. The carry-over of 1930 loans into 1931 will be materially larger, on the average, than the volume of unpaid loans carried over from 1929 into 1930. In many areas, banks have been unable fully to liquidate the borrowings from correspondent and Federal Reserve banks. Bank failures in many sections, and particularly in the southern states, have further accentuated the shortage of available funds.

Bigger Volume Seen

Advices from agricultural credit corporations and federal intermediate credit banks indicate an increased volume of credit from these sources will be utilized. This increase will result mainly from the formation of new credit corporations and in part from expanded operations of existing corporations. The discount rate of the federal intermediate credit banks is now uniformly 4 per cent. The cost to the farmer for such credit obtained through agricultural credit corporations will include an additional 2 or 2 1/2 per cent, plus such fees as the individual corporation may require. In some cases borrowers will be required to purchase stock in the credit corporations.

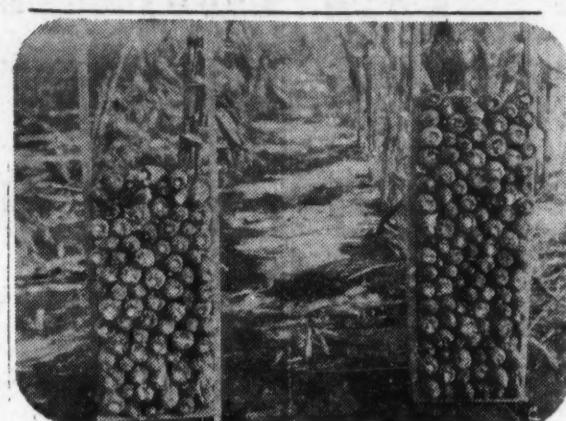
The ability of country merchants to extend credit to their customers will be adversely affected, in many sections, by an abnormal large carry-over of last year's accounts, and by difficulties in obtaining new loans from the local banks.

U. S. Loans to Help

The unfavorable credit situation in the drought-stricken states will be mitigated by the emergency loans authorized under the seed loan act. Loans from this source are available only to those who are unable to obtain credit from commercial sources and the proceeds may be used for the purchase of seed, fertilizer, feed for work stock and, or gas and oil for tractors. Such loans will be made in some or all of the counties in 25 states, in the administrative discretion of the secretary of agriculture.

The supply of credit for marketing the 1931 crops seems likely to be ample. This type of credit is supplied from central money markets, where there is an abundance of credit available, and interest rates are at the lowest level in any recent year. Interest rates (Jan. 17, 1931) on commercial paper are 2 3/4 to 3 per cent, compared with 4 3/4 to 5 per cent a year ago; acceptance rates are 1 5/8 per cent, compared with 4 per cent, and the call rate is 1 1/2 per cent, contrasted with 4 1/2 per cent. Contributing to this ease in central money market rates, there has been, during the past year, an increase of \$148,000,000 in the United States se-

Treated and Untreated Seed Corn



station at Iowa State college in 1930, for the first time, indicate increased the stand about 65 per cent and the yield 26 per cent, according to a report just published by the farm crops section.

In 38 tests started last spring

to a report just published by the farm crops section.

Bison proved to be the highest yielding variety when planted about May 1. The tests also showed that delaying planting from May 1 to May 14 decreased the yield 25 to 60 per cent and that delaying until June 1 resulted in crop failure.

Four valuable fibres are obtained from different parts of the buri palm, which grows prolifically in the Philippines.

BIGGER OUTPUT OF BUTTERFAT

4,893 Cows in Iowa Produce Forty Pounds More

Found in the Furrow

Efficiency Experts—The farmer who crossed his bees with lightning bugs so that they could work at night.

There are many people talking optimism and not acting optimism. One of the world's greatest optimists is the pessimist. He translates their inactive optimistic utterances into concrete and confident activity the pessimism and poor business now prevalent would be quickly dissipated.

Farms in thirty-four counties in Texas increased in number by more than 10 per cent, according to the late federal census. A report recently issued by the department of agriculture shows Texas as having 490,007 farms in 1930 as against 436,023 ten years ago. No other state has reported so large a numerical increase and none approaches Texas in great gains of individual counties.

We think of the pyramids of Egypt as typical of all that is old and durable. But long after the last stone which builded them has turned to dust the principles on which this government was founded will still be intact, an imperishable as the day they were enunciated. And, in looking at those principles exist there is no reason to believe that the country is going to the eternal bowwows. Two years from now all of us will have forgotten 1930. Now is just as good a time to forget it as to wait until later.

Poultry Breeders Set Dec. 7 to 11 For Annual Show

Muscatine county poultry breeders held a meeting Monday night at the Sunnyside hatchery on East Second street. It was decided to hold the annual county poultry show here Dec. 7 to 11. Judge Mark Shaw of Cedar Rapids will be the judge.

Ice cream and cake were served by Mrs. J. H. Ashton. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ashton and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Page, Mr. and Mrs. William King, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Taylor and children, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McIntyre, Mrs. J. Mohrman, and children, and Miss Dottie Matteson, J. Watson, August Funck, Robert Evans, and W. L. Fisher.

Bloomington Township

BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP—Those from the Bloomington Friends church who attended the Quarterly meeting of Friends church at West Branch Saturday are Mrs. Athena Mortimer, pastor, Mrs. Edward Hoag, Mrs. Olga Barnes, Miss Louise Welker, Miss Celia Theiker and Mrs. Nellie Rost.

Race Sunday was observed at the Bloomington church on Feb. 8. Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Davies and several other members of the African M. E. church sang.

Treated Flax Seed Has Greater Yield

AMES, Ia.—(Special)—Treatment of flax seed increases yields, tests conducted by the experiment

service holdings of the Federal reserve banks, and an increase of \$347,000,000 in the stock of monetary gold. These changes are offset, in part, by an increase of \$41,000,000 of currency in circulation.

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Any item or combination of items amounting to \$20 or more, up to \$100, may be purchased for only

\$1 Down



\$100

New Straws, Felt and Straw combinations and Novelty materials. High shades and dark colors.

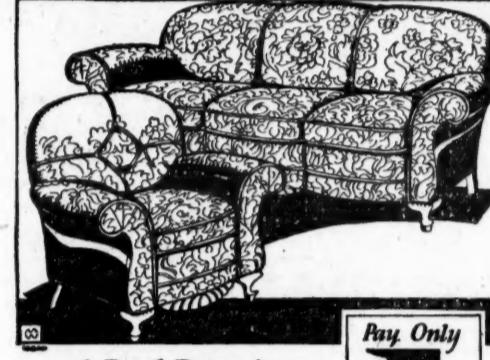
Full Fashioned, dull finish, all silk Chiffon Hose. Popular French heels, picot tops, reinforced soles. New shades.

Colored Tablecloth in smart floral patterns. Green, blue, rose, gold and two-tone colors. Hemmed.

WARD'S FURNITURE SALE ... and Sales for the Home. Feb. 3-14th

Starts Thursday for One Week Only

37th Golden Arrow Special



2-Piece Suite

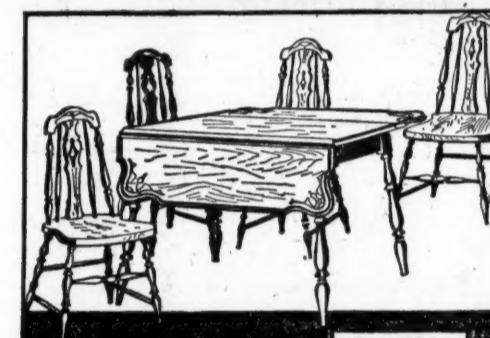
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Run Resistant Rayon LINGERIE

2 for \$1.00

NOW comes the 37th great Golden Arrow offer—2 garments for ONLY \$1! Here is Lingerie, of finer weave and better quality, at a price much lower than was possible a year ago! Yoke-front Panties . . . elastic-waist Bloomers . . . lace-trimmed or tailored Step-Ins . . . and bodice-top Vests. Every garment is full cut and expertly made of run-resistant rayon. Choice of pastel shades. Here, indeed IS value!



Breakfast Set

\$19.95



Special! New Spring DRESSES

Direct from New York

\$5.99

Women's and Misses' Sizes

See these Saturday if you want a smartly styled dress for immediate wear under dark coat. These dresses were specially purchased for this event. Flat crepes and prints in small bright patterns or dark ground. Dresses that have the new square or cowl neckline—full length, elbow, or detachable sleeve—modified hip line—flare skirts. New colors, too, to enliven the wardrobe—Wildfire Red, Seashell Tan, Sengalee Brown, Blues, Rose and Black.

Here is another remarkable February Sales value! Drop Leaf Table, 36x42 inches, and 4 Cathedral Type Chairs—solid oak in green or gray enamel, or natural oak finish. Decorative motifs and trimmings in harmonizing colors. A real bargain!

During February . . . Any of These Items May Be Purchased for	
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Radios	Ironers
Living Room Suites	Vacuum Cleaners
Dining Room Suites	Sewing Machines
Bedroom Suites	Bicycles
Kitchen Cabinets	Typewriters
Refrigerators	Plumbing Outfits
All Stoves	Incubators
Washing Machines	Cream Separators

Dollar Day Items

Electric Corn Popper . . .	\$1.00
Dry Cells 4 for . . .	\$1.00
Electric Travel Iron . . .	\$1.00
Spark Plugs Fit Model T 4 for . . .	\$1.00
Portable Ovens for Oil Stoves . . .	\$1.00
Golden Arrow Bicycle Tires . . .	\$1.00
Auto-Cushion Easy to Keep Clean . . .	\$1.00
Electric Toaster . . .	\$1.00
Big Boy Tire Pumps . . .	\$1.00
Std. Car Jack . . .	\$1.00

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